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INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

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Applicant THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA		

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1. Basis of the report

a. With regard to the **language**, the international search was carried out on the basis of the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.

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the statement that the subsequently furnished written sequence listing does not go beyond the disclosure in the international application as filed has been furnished.

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2. Certain claims were found unsearchable (See Box I).

3. Unity of invention is lacking (see Box II).

4. With regard to the **title**,

the text is approved as submitted by the applicant.

the text has been established by this Authority to read as follows:

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6. The figure of the **drawings** to be published with the abstract is Figure No.

as suggested by the applicant.

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because this figure better characterizes the invention.

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Non of the figures.

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER
 IPC 7 C01B31/02 B01J23/882

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHEDMinimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)
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Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

EPO-Internal, COMPENDEX, INSPEC, CHEM ABS Data, WPI Data

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

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Patent family members are listed in annex.

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